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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director of Central Intelligence

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SUBJECT: Caribbean Basin Intelligence Steering Group

1. The Caribbean Basin Intelligence Steering Group met for the second time on Wednesday, 19 January. A plan, which outlines where we are today with recommended courses of action for the short- and mid-term, is back at the agencies for final coordination. It should be ready for the DCI's consideration early next month. It was agreed by all in attendance that four issues will require the DCI's personal attention. They are:

a. Central America's priority in overall US policy and resource allocation;

b. State Department's imposition of limits on US military presence in the region;

c. An interpretation of the limits that the War Powers Resolution places on US intelligence interaction with host countries; and

d. What types of intelligence systems and equipment we can and cannot turn over to friendly regional governments.

2. The first three issues must be resolved if the DCI is to carry out the direction given him in numerous NSDDs. The last issue, although important, does not share the immediacy of the first three. I will keep you informed.

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